

Barkhamsted

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Litchfield County
Hartford Labor Market Area
Litchfield Hills Economic Dev. Region
Litchfield Hills Planning Area

Incorporated in 1779

Demographics

<i>Population (1998)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	2,952	156,768	3,107,580	White	3,484	174,776	2,648,212
1990	3,369	174,092	3,287,116	Black	12	1,786	274,213
1998	3,526	181,874	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	11	2,258	73,304
2003	3,596	185,084	3,272,149	Native American	4	321	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	1.99%	1.76%	0.03%	Other	0	140	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	15	2,593	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	36.22	920.01	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	1.58%	3.97%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	97.35	197.69	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$24,192	\$24,032	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	1,332	69,599	1,229,087	High School Graduate	511	22.5%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	38.5	38.3	37.2	Some College	702	30.9%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	823	36.2%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	116 7%	321 18%	143 8%	717 41%	311 18%	160 9%	1,768
Female	109 6%	305 17%	143 8%	697 40%	309 18%	195 11%	1,758
County Total	11,904 7%	31,016 17%	13,820 8%	70,482 39%	27,967 15%	26,685 15%	181,874
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>% of</i>	
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
Agriculture	5	5.0%	10	3.0%	The Metropolitan District	\$25,965,130 11.54%
Const. and Mining	24	24.0%	52	15.5%	The Sterling Engineering Corp.	\$3,078,400 1.37%
Manufacturing	10	10.0%	55	16.4%	Granite APR Development Corp.	\$2,824,290 1.26%
Trans. And Utilities	3	3.0%	19	5.7%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$1,863,040 0.83%
Trade	16	16.0%	62	18.5%	The Hitchcock Chair Co. LTD	\$1,095,230 0.49%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	4	4.0%	6	1.8%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$224,999,065
Services	34	34.0%	109	32.5%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>	
Government	4	4.0%	22	6.6%	Metropolitan Water District	Hitchcock Chair
Total	100	100.0%	335	100.0%	Sterling Engineering	Olympic Village
					Granite APR Dev. Corp.	
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	<i>Town</i> <i>State</i>
						\$12,920,947 \$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	611	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,367	\$8,300		Reading	51 55	79 60	75 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$48,143	\$48,598		Math	38 59	51 52	63 51		
Students Attending Public School	92.3%	89.2%		Writing	36 46	59 46	66 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	17.0	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	74.8%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	1.5%	4.6%		Verbal		547	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		542	499		
Kindergarten 19.0	Grade 2 20.5								
Grade 5 19.3	Grade 7 21.3	High School 20.4							

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Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting	Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$393,120
		As % of Expenditures	6.3%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$6,659,175	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$266,766,218
Tax Revenue	\$4,817,975	Per Capita	\$75,700
Non-tax Revenue	\$216,115	As % of State Average	97.1%
Intergovernmental	\$1,625,085	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/89
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,388	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A
As % of State Average	97.5%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	21.10
		Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	17.61
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	6.4%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	1,430	78,684	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	86.8%	74.6%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	12	1,251	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	23	732	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	33	1,355	20,713
As % Existing Units	1.61%	0.93%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	3	367	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	1	54	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	0	98	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	48	3,192	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	121	4,036
Average Price	\$132,972	\$157,833	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$139,000	\$130,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	1,019	48,584	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	22.5%	37.1%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	25	4,308	148,930

Labor Force

				Commuters (1990)			
1997	Town	County	State	Commuters into Town from		Town Residents Commuting to	
Labor Force	1,997	99,974	1,723,300	1. Barkhamsted	265	Barkhamsted	265
Employed	1,930	95,692	1,635,400	2. Winchester	256	Winchester	218
Unemployed	67	4,282	87,900	3. Torrington	80	Hartford	166
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	4.3%	5.1%	4. Colebrook	34	Avon	128
Total Employment	590	63,800	1,581,700	5. New Hartford	29	Torrington	127
Manufacturing	190	17,490	265,850	6. Harwinton	27	Simsbury	108
'92-'97 Growth Rate	-4.8%	5.5%	4.3%	7. Hartland	26	New Hartford	106
Daytime Population	795	75,784	1,740,247	8. Waterbury	19	Bloomfield	100
				9. Norfolk	15	Farmington	96
				10. North Canaan	15	Canton	82

Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (1997)	0	1,378	Total Volumes	0
Lodging (1997)	1	756	Circulation Per Capita	0.0
Day Care Facilities (1998)	1	1,651		
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	17.0	40	Hartford	19
% Open Land (1990)	82.1%	68.8%	Boston	104
			New York City	101
			Providence	80
Hospitals (1997)	0	3		
Total Beds	0	276		

Residential Utilities

Electric Provider
Connecticut Light & Power
1-800-286-2000

Gas Provider

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Water Provider

Municipal Provider
Contact local provider

Cable Provider

Pegasus Cable Television
860-379-9833